
Disqualification hands District's McCain Hanover singles title

A local bowler was declared champion of a popular Pennsylvania event frequented by many NCABA and WDCAWBA members after another local bowler failed to inform officials of previous tournament performances in violation of ABC rules.

Thomas McCain of the District captured the \$5,400 first prize in the 15th annual Glenn E. Bair Singles Tournament in Hanover with a 994 handicap total for four games. McCain entered with a 180 average and rolled 886 scratch.

Willie Graves of Mitchellville tallied 993 and pocketed \$3,200 for second place. Barbara Garner of Temple Hills (960) took home \$500 for 12th place.

Meanwhile, Alfred Page of the District, who entered the tournament with a 138 average—and who was in line to collect the \$5,400 first prize after rolling 822 scratch for four games (205.5 average) and totalling 1,054 with handicap—was disqualified after he failed to report previous tournament scores in accordance with ABC Rule 319.

Page's adherence to the rule would have substantially increased his entering average, according to Fred Trone, Hanover tournament director, who added that distribution of the prize money was delayed about a month because of the necessary investigation.

Trone was aware that Page had won the Chesapeake Doubles Tournament, as well as the singles division of the James "Sonny" Steward/Willa M. Stanley Memorial Tournament held last summer at Jackson Bowl. In addition, Page's average on the "rerate" (average adjustment) sheet for the final weekend of the 1994 Bowl America Summer Open Tour was 186—48 pins above his 1993-94 average.